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Miss M. Maltry,
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Dear Mr. Stitui-

Referring to our telephone conversation of this morning, I beg to submit herewith the following facts regarding the insurance which we desire you to estimate upon for us.

We are planning to have in our Museum, during the months of November and December, an exhibition of medallic work of most of the European nations. There will probably be representations from ten to fifteen countries, and the consignments will, or should, begin to reach us in September. We have asked the consignors to send their exhibits by registered parcels post, if possible, and this should reduce the risk of loss in the mails.

On their arrival, the medals will be kept in our Museum until ready for exhibition. This is a concrete structure, and a considerable proportion of the exhibition cases are of metal. The risk of fire is so small that we do not carry a fire insurance. Moreover, the building is, in its construction, practically a vault, and in consequence the risk of theft should not be great.

It is difficult to estimate the number of medals which will be sent - present indications are that the number may reach, and possibly exceed one thousand. Size and form play so large a part in the valuation of these pieces that again it is difficult to arrive at a valuation for the assumed number. But with the exchange rate in our favor as it is in so many of the countries that will exhibit, I would suggest that $10,000. ought to cover the lot.

The term of the insurance should be for six months - to provide time for their re-shipment. Any further data which may be necessary for your purposes, I shall be very glad to provide.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.